



Australian Government
Department of Defence



Army In Motion: Maritime, Technical Trade, Hospitality and Support Overview: Ross Island Barracks

Reference number: WEP/03011/21

Service: Army

Placement Location: Ross Island Barracks
Samphire Road, South Townsville

Type of Placement/s: Secondary Placement

Start & End dates: 23-Aug-2021 to 27-Aug-2021

Duration of Placement: 5 days

Placement Limits: 18

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Closing Date: **5:00PM, 23 July 2021**

Overview of Placement

10 Force Support Battalion (10FSB) is a diverse Australian Army Logistics Battalion that provides Combat Service Support of designated deployed ADF capabilities. Located at Ross Island Barracks and Lavarack Barracks, 10FSB provides specialist transport, mechanical handling equipment, watercraft including amphibious craft and supplies food, fuel and ammunition.

10 FSB roles include watercraft operators, ammunition and electrical technicians, mechanics, drivers, cooks, petroleum operators, crane and industrial forklift operators.

As part of this work experience placement, students may rotate through the following sub-units to gain an understanding of the roles and responsibilities and the many career opportunities available at 10FSB:

- 35 Water Transport Squadron: Amphibious operations, inland waterway operations and independent watercraft operations.
- 10 Logistic Support Company: Includes mechanical and electrical trades, transport support, postal services as well as Quartermaster support (clothing and equipment).

- 1 Catering Company: Capable of operating in barracks and can deploy a field kitchen. Provides meals to the entire Army whilst deployed to support domestic and international operations.
- 2 Combat Supply Company: Provides supply and support including food, fuel and technical ammunition expertise and the use of remotely operated bomb detecting robots.
- 30 Terminal Squadron: Supports ADF for the loading and unloading of all transport modes (sea, road, rail and air) and the receipt, transit storage, manifesting and forwarding of cargo.

Note: Students may move between Ross Island Barracks and Lavarack Barracks whilst on placement.

Special Conditions of Placement

Students from outside the Townsville area must understand that travel to and accommodation in Townsville for the duration of the work experience is the responsibility of the student / parent / guardian.

DWEP cannot assist with these aspects. Students should ensure they have considered this and discussed with parent/guardian before submitting an application.

All placements are subject to relevant State/Territory COVID-19 Guidelines and Defence Restrictions. This may result in a placement being changed, postponed and/or cancelled at short notice.

Students should have a genuine interest in a Defence career; particularly those careers that align with the capabilities of 10FSB as outlined in the overview.

Students should have a reasonable level of physical fitness as they may be required to participate in Army PT (Physical Training) sessions.

Students may be required to participate in a swimming test prior to taking part in water-based activities.

Participants must wear neat clothing and closed-in footwear whilst on placement.

Assessment Criteria

You will be required to answer the following questions when completing your online application:

1. What are your career goals and/or areas of interest in the Army? What are you doing to achieve these goals? (e.g. school subjects, part-time work, member of relevant organisations such as Cadets, SES, Scouts etc, contact with Defence Force Recruiting etc.) (max 100 words)
2. Why do you want to do work experience with 10FSB? What do you hope to gain from this experience? (max 100 words)

Eligibility

Work Experience opportunities are available for both secondary and tertiary students.

Applicants/candidates must be an Australian Citizen / Permanent Resident of Australia.

Age Group – Students participating in Defence work experience placements must be 15 – 24 years of age at the time of the placement.

What happens next?

IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Applications must be submitted through the online application system (eRecruit) prior to the closing date.

1. When registering on eRecruit and submitting an application, you must use your own email account preferably your school/education email address if you have one.

For further information refer to the [eRecruit Applicant User Guide](#).

If you are experiencing difficulties in submitting your application contact the Work Experience Program team via email at defence.workexperienceprogram@defence.gov.au for assistance.

2. Following the advertised closing date an evaluation of your assessment criteria responses will be completed.
3. The Work Experience Liaison Officer administering the placement will advise you by email if your application for placement is successful.
4. If successful, you will need to log into eRecruit to accept your officer. There you will find Work Experience Placement Agreement
5. To accept the placement offer:
 - a. Accept your officer in eRecruit;
 - b. Complete your Work Experience Placement Agreement and have it signed by yourself, your parent/guardian (if you are under the age of 18) and your school principal; and
 - c. return it to us via attaching it to your eRecruit record
6. Your School Work Experience Coordinator will submit your Work Experience Placement Agreement to Defence.
7. Once the Agreement is approved you will be provided with further information about the work experience placement.

Note: Contact your School Work Experience Coordinator with any queries related to your application.

Thank you for your interest
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